

1582

The Gregorian Cal brought
spring back to Mar 21.

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Was the shortest "year"
Pope Gregory XIII decreed
that Oct 5, 1582 would be
Oct 15, 1582
eliminating 10 days.

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The Catholic version of the (New Testament)
Bible was printed at Rheims
in 1582 and the Old Testament
at Douay in 1609-1610

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People in Europe went to bed
on THURSDAY Oct. 4th, 1582 and
wake up on FRIDAY the 15th of Oct. 1582

In Frankfurt, angry mobs
rioted, convinced the pope had stolen
ten days out of their lives. Bankers
wondered how to calculate interest
in a month with only 21 days.
Sailors, smiths, weavers, and

murderers fussed over wages raised
and king & accountants fussed over
taxes not collected.

Enraged, Protestants railed against
the cut (of dog) as work of the devil.

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The Gregorian Cal is running
slow about 26 sec per annum
It's already put us back
3 hours (c1998).

Eventually 4909 we will be
back 1 entire day.

The astronomy behind the Cal
was based on the new observations
of NICOLAUS COPERNICUS, among
others, and the painstaking calculations
of ALOYSIUS LILIUS, a little-known
physician-astronomer. Lilius is
the man who crafted the complex equations
that proved the leap-century rule
was simpler & neater than dozens

of rival solutions

Oct 1582

only Italy, Spain, Portugal
and Poland complied with
the Calendar edit right away.

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The 0.2422 vs 0.25 d of Julian Cal.
gave by the 16th century the
accumulated error amounting
to 10 days.

thus Pope Gregory XIII
ordered the day following
Oct. 4 to be Oct 15, 1582.

He omitted a leap year from any
divisible by 100 evenly except
those divisible by 400 evenly.

Thus 1700, 1800, 1900 were not
leap yrs in Italy. But 1700 was
a leap yr in England & colonies

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J. J. SCALIGER suggested a plan
Begin Jan 1, 4713 BC and number
the days consecutively.

Cycles of 28, 19, 15 yrs led ^{of} 365.25
to selection of 4713 BC, ^{days}
this being the year 1.0 in each ^{ex.}
cycle.
The Julian Day was made to agree

with the astronomical day which began
at noon, 12 hours later than corresponding
civil day.

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Duncan: Cal

1527-1608 John Dee

He was asked by Queen Elizabeth to study and comment on Gregory's reformed Cal.

In 1551 he had become an intellectual at the court of Queen Mary but switched his allegiance to the queen's half sister, Elizabeth.

In 1582, he penned a treatise in favor of the reform.

He vigorously argued for restoration
back to the time of Christ, which meant
dropping 11 days - not 10, but then later
relented to keep with the rest of Europe.
He proposed 1583 had 3 days dropped in mon,
one in June, and three ca. in July & Aug.
(Avoiding important days & holidays
But Archbishop of Canterbury (Edmund
Grendel (c.1519-1583) said no &

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Duncan; Cal

The Eastern Orthodox rejected the reform. They had been left with local churches in Constantinople, Alexandria, Antioch & elsewhere to fend for themselves.

Dec 1582

France & Netherlands adopted
Gregorian Cal.

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Pope Gregory XIII

- 1) deleted 10 days from the Cal.
- 2) Oct. 4 plus 1 day = Oct 15, 1582
- 3) Omit leap year every century
that is not evenly divisible by
400

Called "The Gregorian Cal."

In 20th Century, further adjustment was
made, preserving the accuracy of the

will Cal for tens of thousands of years.

1582 (After oct 4 + 1 = oct 15)

If you left Calais, France for
Dover England, you would arrive
10 days before you left